STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

CONCERT COMMUNICATIONS SALES LLC

DOCKET NO. SPU-00-18 (TCU-00-13)

CERTIFICATE NO. 0227

CERTIFICATE

(Issued October 4, 2000)

On March 17, 2000, Concert Communications Sales LLC (CCS) and Concert USA (Concert) filed a request for approval of a corporate reorganization. The filing was identified as Docket No. TCU-00-13. The reorganization, which the Utilities Board (Board) reviewed solely as a transfer of certificate, involved a transfer of control whereby Concert would begin operating pursuant to the same tariff and operating authority, and employing the same customer service operations as previously used by CCS. The Board approved the transfer by order issued June 15, 2000.

On August 29, 2000, CCS and Concert filed an application with the Board requesting that the certificate be transferred from Concert back to CCS. The proceeding was identified as Docket No. SPU-00-18. The companies stated that the efficiencies anticipated by the original transfer would be better accomplished by the retention of the authority to provide local exchange service by CCS. The transfer

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back to CCS would involve a transfer of control whereby CCS would operate pursuant to the same tariff and operating authority, and employing the same customer service operations as it had prior to the original transfer to Concert. The Board will approve the transfer and issue CCS a new certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange service, identified as Certificate No. 0227.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

This certificate of public convenience and necessity, issued pursuant to Iowa Code § 476.29(1) (1999), authorizes Concert Communications Sales LLC to furnish local telephone service in the exchanges as shown by its tariffs as currently and subsequently approved.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms /s/ Susan J. Frye ATTEST: /s/ Sharon Mayer Executive Secretary, Assistant to

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 4th day of October, 2000.